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## **COMMON CARRIER BUREAU GRANTS CONSENT FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF DOMESTIC 214 AUTHORIZATION OF AMERICATEL CORPORATION**

**CC Docket No. 01-195**

Pursuant to section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and section 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.291, the Common Carrier Bureau approves the application requesting Commission approval for the transfer of control of the domestic section 214 authorization of Americatel Corporation ("Americatel") from Bell to Pirelli S.p.A. (collectively, "Applicants"). The proposed transfer is related to an acquisition of corporate control. Under the terms of the proposed transaction, Pirelli will acquire an indirect interest in Olivetti S.p.A. (Olivetti),<sup>1</sup> which controls Telecom Italia S.p.A. (Telecom Italia) and Telecom Italia's operating subsidiaries, including Americatel. No comments or petitions to deny were received in response to the public notice announcing that the application had been accepted for filing.<sup>2</sup>

The Bureau finds, upon consideration of the record, that the proposed transfer will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity, and therefore grants the requested authorization. This grant of authority is without prejudice to Commission action on other pending applications that seek consent to transfer control of authorizations and licenses to Pirelli S.p.A. or that request a declaratory ruling pursuant to section 310(b)(4) of the Act with

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<sup>1</sup> Bell is a company incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg. Bell currently holds a controlling 21.31 percent ownership interest in Olivetti, which in turn owns a 54.94 percent ownership interest in Telecom Italia. Telecom Italia holds a 100 percent ownership interest in STET International Netherlands N.V., which holds a 54.76 percent ownership interest in Empresa Nacional de Telecomunicaciones S.A. (ENTEL-Chile). ENTEL-Chile owns a 100 percent ownership interest in ENTEL International B.V.I. Corporation, which in turn, holds an 80 percent ownership interest in Americatel.

<sup>2</sup> See *Commission Seeks Comment on Joint Application For Consent to Transfer Control of Americatel Corporation*, Public Notice, CC Docket No. 01-195, DA 01-2050 (rel. Aug. 30, 2001).

respect to the proposed indirect ownership of common carrier radio licensees by Pirelli.<sup>3</sup>

Pursuant to section 1.103 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.103, the consent granted herein is effective upon release of this public notice. Petitions for reconsideration under section 1.106 or applications for review under Rule 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106, 1.115, may be filed within 30 days of the date of this public notice.

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<sup>3</sup> See, e.g., *Non Streamlined International Applications Accepted for Filing*, Public Notice, File No. ITC-T/C-20010817-00036, 20010817-00017, Report No. TEL-00436NS (rel. Aug. 29, 2001). The international section 214 authorizations were granted on a streamlined basis under section 63.12 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12, without prejudice to Commission action on other pending applications that seek consent to transfer control of authorizations and licenses to Pirelli S.p.A. See *International Authorizations Granted*, Public Notice, File No. ITC-T/C-20010817-00446, 20010817-00447, 20010817-00448, 20010817-00449, 20010817-00450, Report No. TEL-00444 (rel. Sept. 20, 2001).